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and for her own benefit. *Held*, that she could recover. *Brooks* v. *British Columbia Electric Ry. Co.*, 48 D. L. R. 90.

Where the relation of principal and agent exists between a passenger and his driver, the negligence of the latter will on principles of agency be attributed to the former. Wood v. Coney Island R. Co., 133 N. Y. App. Div. 270, 117 N. Y. Supp. 703. In the absence of such a relation, the passenger is not affected by the negligence of his driver. The Bernina, L. R. 12 P. D. 58; Cincinnati St. Ry. Co. v. Wright, 54 Ohio St. 181, 43 N. E. 688. Logically, the same principles are equally applicable to the case of husband and wife who are driver and passenger respectively. And the weight of authority is to that effect. Southern Ry. Co. v. King, 128 Ga. 383, 57 S. E. 687; Louisville Co. v. Creek, 130 Ind. 139, 29 N. E. 481. But some courts impute the husband's negligence to his wife, presumably because they are identified in interest, but without stating that ground. Yahn v. City of Ottumwa, 60 Iowa, 429, 15 N. W. 257; City of Joliet v. Seward, 86 Ill. 402. Other courts expressly make this the ground of their decisions. Penna. R. Co. v. Goodenough, 55 N. J. L. 577, 28 Atl. 3; McFadden v. Santa Ana R. Co., 87 Cal. 464, 25 Pac. 681. Consistently, therefore, a married woman was allowed to recover where her husband was killed in the same accident. Horandt v. Central R. Co., 78 N. J. L. 190, 73 Atl. 93. However, where, as in the principal case, a married woman may sue in her own name and the damages recovered are her own property, the argument from identity of interest fails, and it seems to be agreed that the ordinary principles apply. Louisville R. Co. v. McCarthy. 120 Ky. 814, 112 S. W. 925.

ELIGIBILITY OF WOMEN FOR PUBLIC OFFICE—CONSTRUCTION OF STATUTE.—An act concerning the office of clerk of court used only masculine pronouns. A prior act regarding the office had had no gender interpretation clause, but a general interpretation act provides that words importing the masculine gender shall include females unless the contrary appear. The question is whether a woman is eligible for the office. *Held*, that she is not. *Frost* v. *The King*, [1919] I. R. 81.

For a discussion of this case, see Notes, p. 295, supra.

EQUITY — JURISDICTION — PROTECTION OF RIGHTS OF PERSONALITY. — The defendant seduced the plaintiff's minor daughter. The plaintiff seeks to enjoin the defendant from associating or communicating with the girl in any manner. *Held*, that an injunction will issue. *Stark* v. *Hamilton*, 99 S. E. 861 (Ga.).

The orthodox definition of equity jurisdiction gives the Chancellor no power to protect purely personal rights. Chappell v. Stewart, 82 Md. 323, 33 Atl. 542; Hodecker v. Stricker, 39 N. Y. Supp. 515. But courts of equity have shown an increasing tendency to take jurisdiction of injuries to personality. Ex parte Warfield, 40 Tex. Crim. 413, 50 S. W. 933; Vanderbilt v. Mitchell, 72 N. J. Eq. 910, 67 Atl. 97. See Pound, "Equitable Relief against Defamation and Injuries to Personality," 29 HARV. L. REV. 640, 668. However, even when substantially protecting an interest of personality the courts have protested that they were concerned with property alone and that they secured interests of personality merely incidentally. The New Jersey court has gone further and has said, obiter, that if necessary it would not hesitate to protect personality as such. See Vanderbilt v. Mitchell, 72 N. J. Eq. 910, 919, 67 Atl. 97, 100. But in that case the court found a property interest remotely involved, and made that the "technical basis" of its equity jurisdiction. Vanderbilt v. Mitchell, supra. The principal case might also have been decided as involving a property right. The plaintiff could have maintained an action at law for the loss of his daughter's services. Mulvehall v. Millward, 11 N. Y. 343; Kennedy v. Shea, 110 Mass. 147. But the court does not rest its jurisdiction on this property interest, but upon the interests of personality which are really at stake.